Remarks

In the Office action, claims 1-2 and 4-5 were rejected as unpatentable over Westwater et al. (US 6,130,143) in view of Kim (US 6,767,771). Claims 3 and 7 were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

By way of the foregoing amendment claims 6 and 7 have been cancelled without prejudice and claims 8-15 have been added.

Independent claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of cancelled claims 6 and 7. Therefore, the applicant respectfully submits that independent claim 1 and claims 2-5 dependent thereon are now in condition for allowance.

Claim 8 is similar to originally-presented claim 5, except that claim 8 recites a narrower range than claim 5. The applicant respectfully submits that claim 8 is in condition for allowance for at least the reason that it is dependent on allowable claim 1.

Independent claim 9 includes all of the limitations of original claim 1 and claim 3, which was indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Therefore, the applicant respectfully submits that claim 9 and claims 10-15 dependent thereon are now in condition for allowance.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance thereof are respectfully requested. If there is any matter that the examiner would like to discuss, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative at the telephone number set forth below.

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